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CHARLES E. HAY.

**BORN SALEM, INDIANA, MARCH 23, 1841. DIED ST. LOUIS, MO.,
JANUARY 15, 1916.**

Hon. Charles E. Hay, aged 75 years, a director of the Ridgely National Bank of Springfield, Illinois, and four times mayor of the city, died in St. Louis, January 15, 1916, from the effects of an operation.

Mr. Hay was a brother of Hon. John Hay, Secretary of State of the United States, and a grandson of the late John Hay, of Springfield, and was the last surviving member of his immediate family.

Captain Hay was born in Salem, Indiana, March 23, 1841, and was a son of Doctor Charles and Helen Hay. While still a child he removed with his parents to Warsaw, Ill., where he spent his boyhood. He was educated in the Warsaw schools and later attended a university in Kentucky. While still a youth he made frequent trips to Springfield to visit his grandfather, John Hay.

When the Civil War broke out, he enlisted in the Third Illinois Cavalry and distinguished himself so that he was soon promoted to lieutenant and then to captain.

His marriage to Miss Mary Ridgely in Springfield, May 10, 1865, is still remembered by the older residents of that city as one of the war time romances. The news of Lincoln's assassination was flashed to this city near the date of their wedding and they gladly gave up all festivities to join in the Nation's mourning. Captain Hay acted as aide at the Lincoln funeral. He was then in the recruiting service under General Oakes, but resigned near the close of the war.

After the war Captain Hay engaged in the wholesale grocery business under the firm name of Smith & Hay. He was four times mayor of Springfield in the years 1873, 1875, 1887 and 1889, and was President of the School Board for a

number of years. At the time of his death he was a director of the Ridgely National Bank.

Captain Hay was always active in the civic and religious life of Springfield, as well as in its business progress, and distinguished himself in every activity he undertook. He was a Knight Templar, a member of the military order of the Loyal Legion of the United States, and a member of the Illinois State Historical Society. He was senior warden of St. Paul's Episcopal Church.

In May, 1915, Captain and Mrs. Hay celebrated their golden wedding. To their union were born five children, three of whom are dead. John, the oldest son, died in infancy; Mrs. Anna Hay Lloyd, a daughter, died some years ago, and a son, Captain Charles E. Hay, died a short time ago.

Captain Hay is survived by his wife, Mary Ridgely Hay, of Springfield; two sons, Arthur, of Lemon Grove, Cal., and William Hay, of New Orleans; and six grandchildren, Arthur, Polly, Helen and Ann Lloyd, of Springfield, John Hay, of Decatur, and Jean Hay, of Lemon Grove, Cal.

The funeral services were held January 21, 1916, at 10:30 o'clock at St. Paul's Pro Cathedral, the Rev. Edward Haughton, officiating.

The active pall bearers were Thomas Page, W. S. Troxell, Edward Cahill, John Cantrall, Dr. George F. Stericker and Dr. E. E. Hagler.

The honorary pall bearers were Clinton L. Conkling, Judge J. A. Creighton, Charles Richardson, Harry Ide, J. H. Holbrook, D. W. Smith, R. N. Dodds, Adolph Deicken, C. C. Carroll, George Helmle, Sr., and J. H. Collins.